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A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

- 1 AN ACT
- 2 relating to use of money in the state highway fund.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:
- 4 SECTION 1. Section 222.001(a), Transportation Code, is
- 5 amended to read as follows:
- 6 (a) Money that is required to be used for public roadways by
- 7 the Texas Constitution or federal law and that is deposited in the
- 8 state treasury to the credit of the state highway fund, including
- 9 money deposited to the credit of the state highway fund under Title
- 10 23, United States Code, may be used only:
- 11 (1) to improve the state highway system; or
- 12 (2) to mitigate adverse environmental effects that
- 13 result directly from construction or maintenance of a state highway
- 14 by the department[; or
- 15 [(3) by the Department of Public Safety to police the
- 16 state highway system and to administer state laws relating to
- 17 traffic and safety on public roads].
- SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2017.
- 19 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect only if the constitutional
- 20 amendment proposed by the 84th Legislature, Regular Session, 2015,
- 21 prescribing the purposes for which revenue from motor vehicle
- 22 registration fees, taxes on motor fuels and lubricants, and certain
- 23 revenues received from the federal government may be used is
- 24 approved by the voters. If that amendment is not approved by the

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1 voters, this Act has no effect.